

Wednesday, May 8, 1996

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4813–S4882*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1732–1740. **Page S4851**

**White House Travel Office/Former Employees:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2937, for the reimbursement of legal expenses and related fees incurred by former employees of the White House Travel Office with respect to the termination of their employment in that office on May 19, 1993, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4813–37, S4846–48**

Pending:

(1) Dole Amendment No. 3952, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4814**

(2) Dole Amendment No. 3953 (to Amendment No. 3952), to provide for an effective date for the settlement of certain claims against the United States. **Page S4814**

(3) Dole Amendment No. 3954 (to Amendment No. 3953), to provide for an effective date for the settlement of certain claims against the United States. **Page S4814**

(4) Dole motion to refer the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith. **Pages S4816–37, S4846–48**

(5) Dole Amendment No. 3955 (to the instructions to the motion to refer), to provide for an effective date for the settlement of certain claims against the United States. **Pages S4816–37, S4846–48**

(6) Dole Amendment No. 3960 (to Amendment No. 3955), to provide for the repeal of the 4.3 cent increase in fuel tax rates enacted by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, to clarify that an employer may establish and participate in worker-management cooperative organizations to address matters of mutual interest to employers and employees, and to provide for an increase in the minimum wage rate. **Pages S4816–37, S4846–48**

Withdrawn:

Dole Amendment No. 3956 (to Amendment No. 3955), to provide for an effective date for the settlement of certain claims against the United States. **Page S4816**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 110), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the bill. **Page S4816**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 3956, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, May 10, 1996. **Page S4819**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 9, 1996.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total–110) **Page S4816**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:07 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, May 9, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4882.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Commerce, receiving testimony from Michael Kantor, Secretary of Commerce.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.